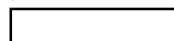


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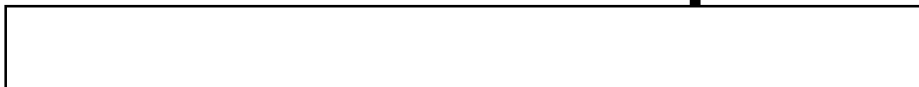


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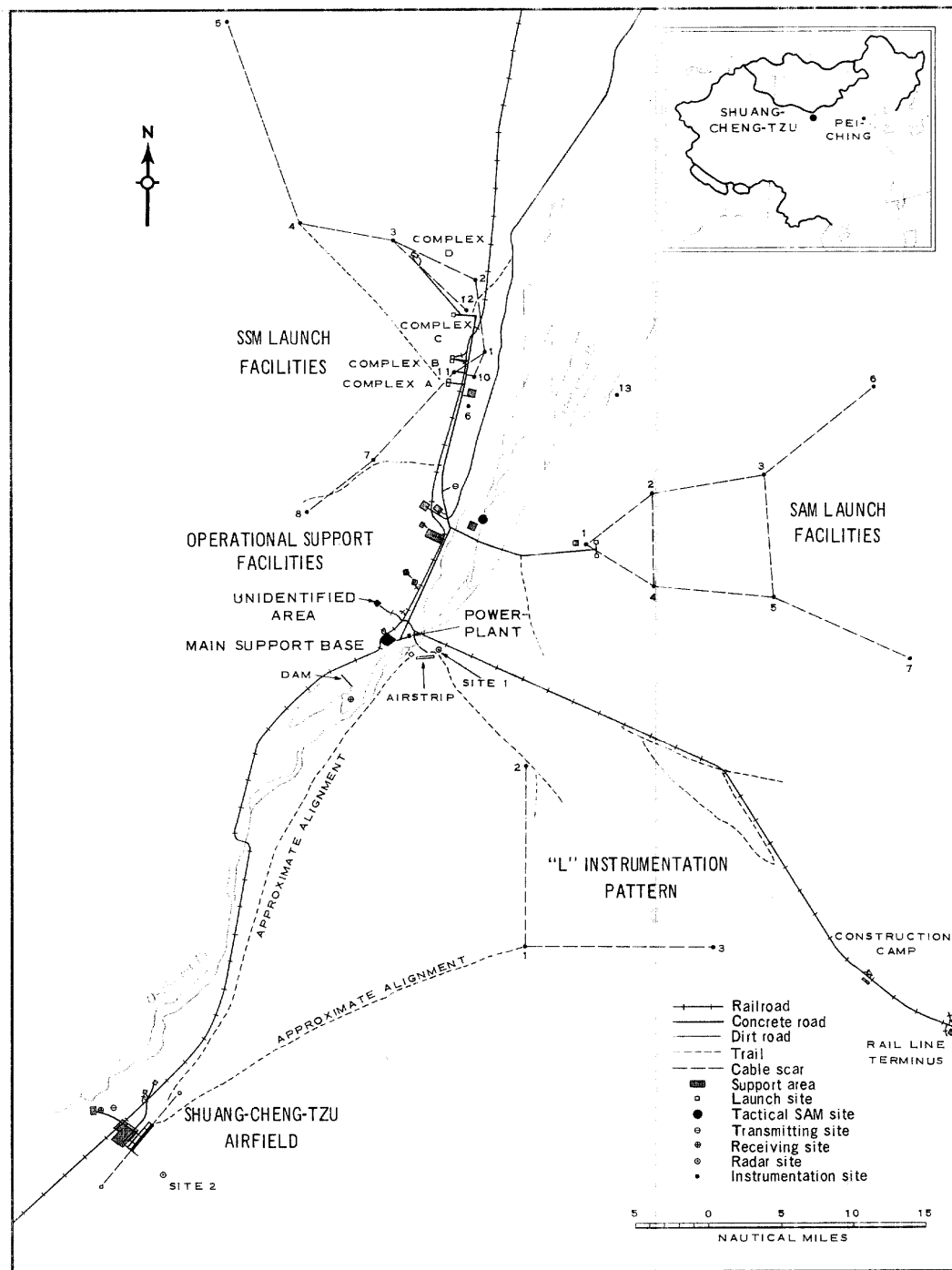


FIGURE 1. SHUANG-CHENG-TZU MISSILE TEST CENTER, CHINA.

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Introduction

This report is one of a series updating NPIC/R-1065/64, 1/ Shuang-cheng-tzu Missile Test Center (SCTMTC), China (Figure 1). Covered in this report are the Main Support Base, the thermal electric powerplant, and an area of unidentified activity north of the Main Support Base. The support base and powerplant have expanded since [] and the area of unidentified activity is new.

Main Support Base

The Main Support Base (Figures 2 and 3) is located at 40-58N 100-11E, approximately 20 nautical miles (nm) south of the SSM launch facilities and approximately 40 nm north-northeast of Shuang-cheng-tzu Airfield. The base is served by a continuation of the rail line north from the airfield and is the southern terminus of the improved road serving the operational support facilities and the launch facilities.

Since [] approximately 200 buildings have been added. Most of these are storage buildings. Construction has continued at a fairly steady pace except during [] when there was more construction than in any other year. Between [] the wye at the rail yard was eliminated and a loop constructed. Several rail spurs and sidings have also been added. The buildings that were located within the wye were torn down and new ones constructed. No other significant buildings have been torn down. The westernmost rail spur serving the base has been partially dismantled.

The base now contains approximately 500 buildings, plus numerous smaller buildings and temporary structures.

Unidentified Area

An area of unidentified activity (Figure 4) is located in a valley between mountains approximately 3 nm north of the Main Support Base. A narrow pass provides access. It is served by a rail line from the base and by a pipeline, both of which go through the pass.

The area contains at least 15 identifiable buildings. All have been built since [] Two buildings which were present before [] were torn down between []

The rail line was originally a short spur. Extension of the line began in [] and was probably complete by [] Pipeline construction also began in [] A pumphouse is located along the pipeline just before it enters the pass.

Between [] a construction camp containing 10 probable equipment sheds was built adjacent to the pipeline, approximately 2 nm southeast of the unidentified area.

Thermal Electric Powerplant

The thermal electric powerplant (Figures 5 and 6), located approximately 1.5 nm east of the Main Support Base, provides power for the entire test center, including the airfield. The plant is fired by coal and is served by road from the Main Support Base and by 2 rail spurs from the rail line heading into the desert.

Since [] 12 buildings have been added and the rail spur to a borrow pit removed. The plant now contains a generator hall and boiler house with 1 stack, a transformer yard, 2 cooling towers, a probable heat plant, and approximately 35 buildings.

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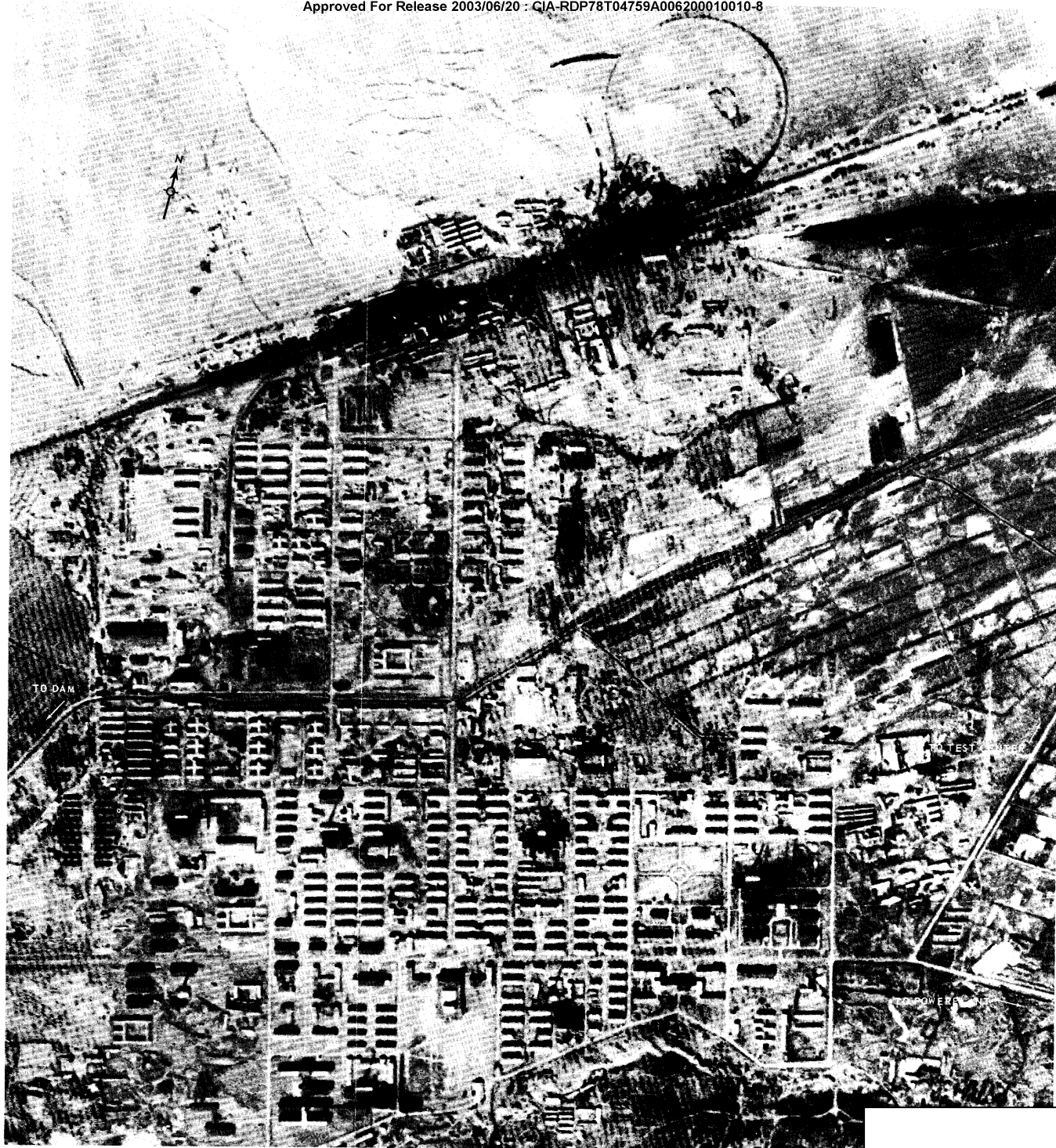


FIGURE 2. MAIN SUPPORT BASE, SCTMTC.

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FIGURE 3. CONSTRUCTION DATA ON MAIN SUPPORT BASE, SCTMTC

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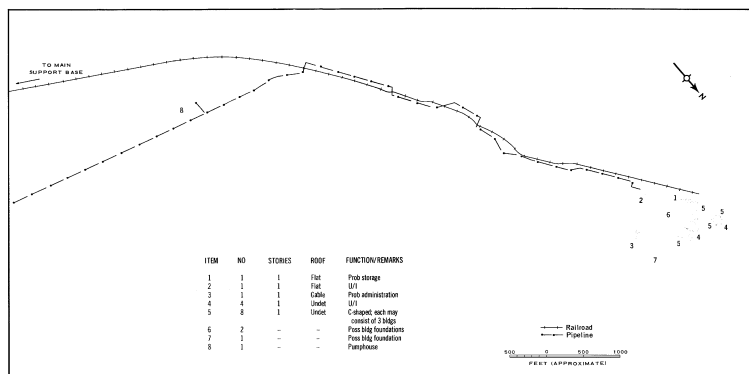


FIGURE 4. UNIDENTIFIED AREA A, SCTMT.



FIGURE 5. THERMAL ELECTRIC POWERPLANT, SCTMT.

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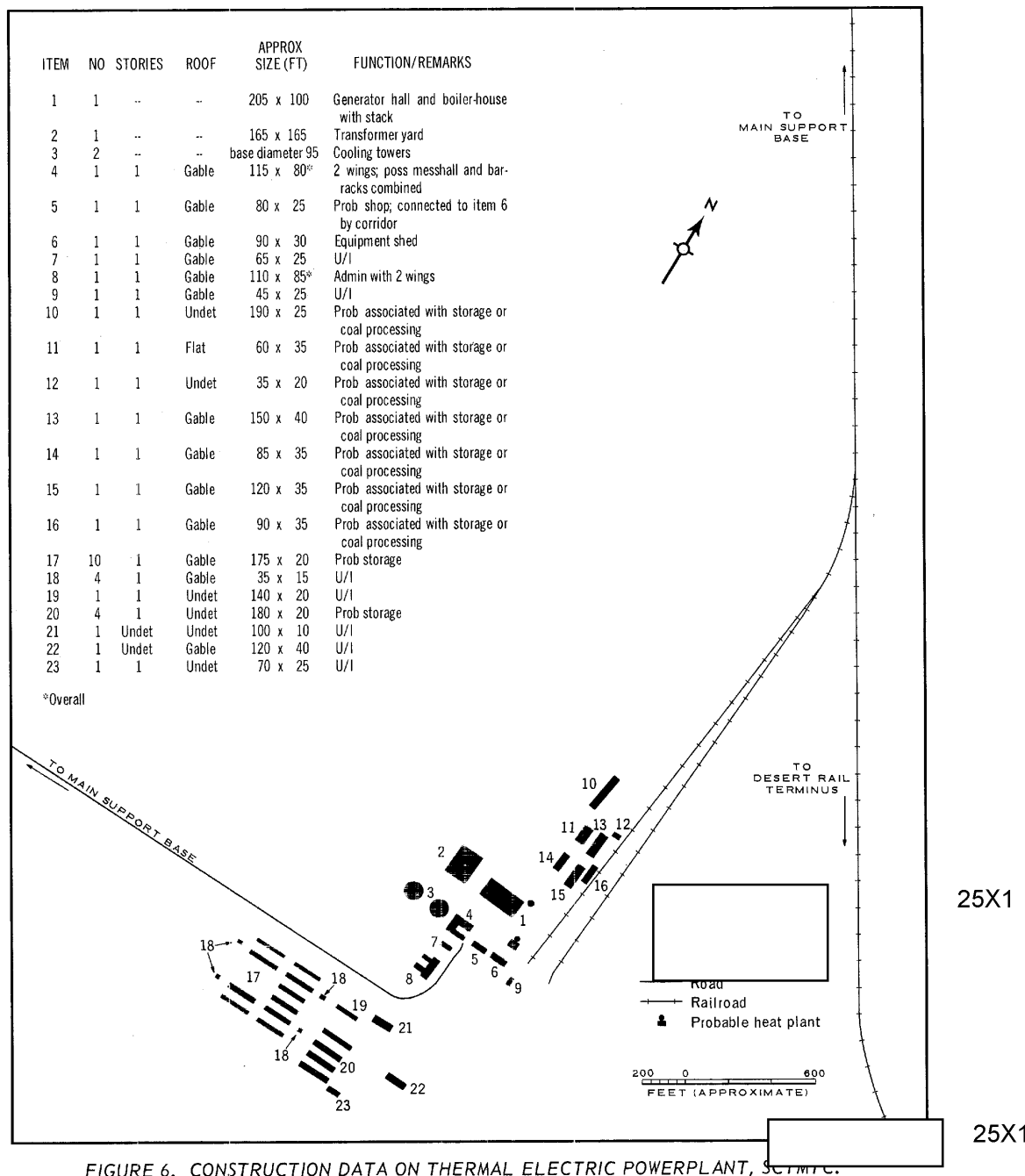
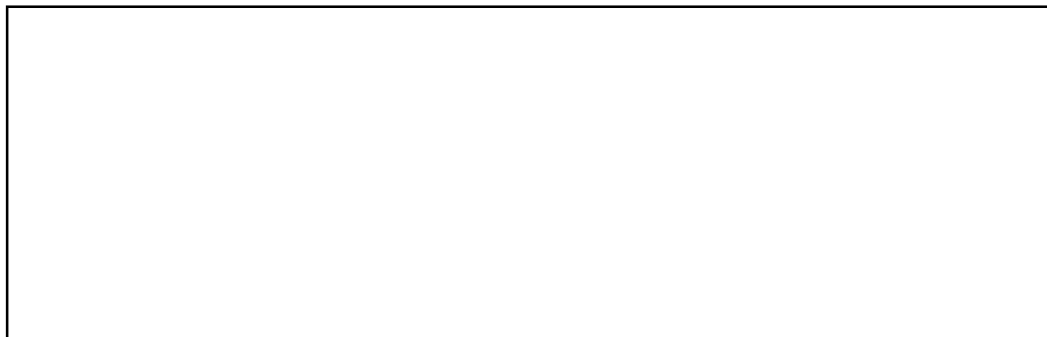


FIGURE 6. CONSTRUCTION DATA ON THERMAL ELECTRIC POWERPLANT, SCTMTC.

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